What Is Being Done?

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing approximately \$700,000 to improve the intersections of M-11 (Wilson Avenue) at O'Brien Road and Fennessy Street, in the city of Walker. This project includes asphalt resurfacing, construction of left-turn and right-turn lanes at O'Brien Road, a right-turn lane and directional island on the west side of Fennessy Street, and a cul-de-sac on Fennessy Street east of M-11 (Wilson Avenue).

When Will This Be Done?

Construction is scheduled to begin in early June and will continue through late August 2006.

How Will Traffic Be Affected?

Because M-11 is a heavily traveled commuter route, this project will be completed in three stages to reduce the impact to motorists.

For More Information

Call the Grand Rapids Transportation Service Center (TSC) at: 616-451-3091

Visit MDOT's Web site at: www.michigan.gov/mdot

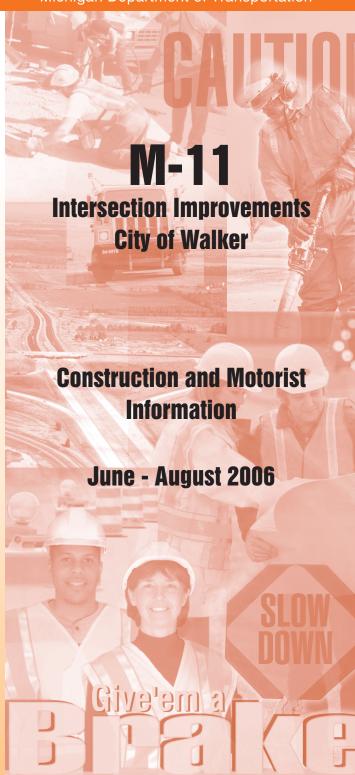
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Stage One

During stage one, northbound and southbound traffic along M-11 will be shifted to the east side of the roadway while the southbound roadway is reconstructed. O'Brien Road will remain open to traffic during this stage via flag control. Fennessy Street also will remain open to traffic during this stage via flag control – with the exception of a 10-day period when the intersection will need to be closed to permit construction of the directional island.

Stage Two

During stage two, scheduled to begin in mid-July, northbound and southbound traffic along M-11 will be shifted to the west side of the roadway while the northbound roadway is reconstructed. O'Brien Road will remain open to traffic during this stage via flag control. During and after this stage, the east side of Fennessy Street will permanently close to traffic.

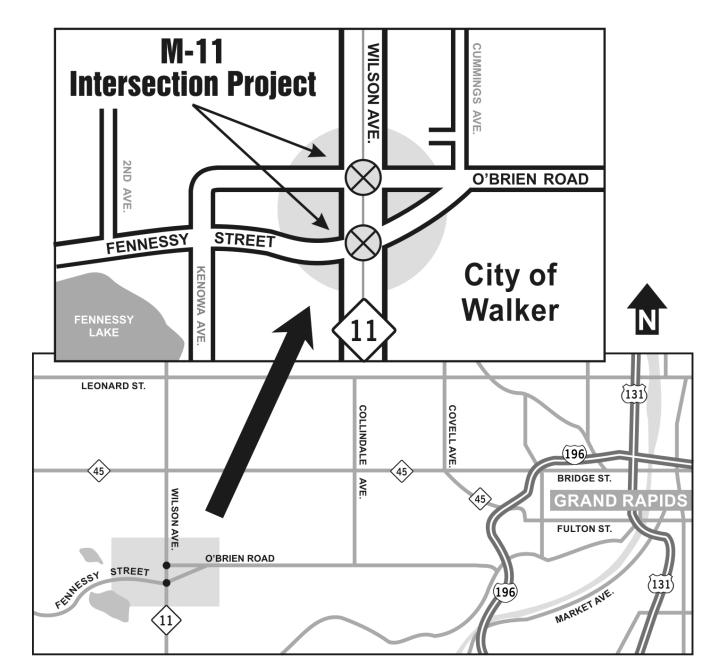
Stage Three

During stage three, northbound and southbound traffic along M-11, from south of Fennessy Street to north of O'Brien Road, will be maintained via flag control to allow for milling and placement of new asphalt pavement.

Long-term Benefits

These intersection improvements will serve motorists for many years to come. The project will promote safety, improve traffic flow, and enhance the ride quality at these intersections.

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How Will We Keep Motorists Informed?

MDOT is committed to keeping you informed about current and future lane closures, detour routes, and project updates. For lane closure information, visit the MDOT Web site at www.michigan.gov/mdot or call MDOT's Road Repair Hotline at 616-482-PAVE [7238]. Electronic traffic updates also are available from the Office of Communications via e-mail. If you would like to be included on the electronic mailing list, contact Dawn Garner at GarnerDa@michigan.gov.